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NEPHI CITY
COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 6, 2015

The Nephi City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 21 East 100 North at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 6, 2015

Those present were:

Mayor.....Mark R. Jones
Council Member.....Lisa E. Brough
Council Member.....Wade M. Gee
Council Member.....Kent B. Park
Council Member.....Greg Rowley
Council Member.....Justin D. Seely (absent)
City Administrator....J. Randy McKnight
City Attorney.....Kasey L. Wright
City Recorder.....R. Blair Painter

Guests: Myrna Trauntvein, (press), Donald W. Ball

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.

Council Member Gee then offered the invocation.

The minutes of the council meeting held on December 16, 2014 were presented for approval. Council Member Brough made the motion that the minutes for the December 16, 2014 city council meeting be approved as written. Council Member Gee seconded the motion, which passed on a unanimous vote.

City Administrator, J. Randy McKnight, reported on recent action by the planning commission regarding a zone change request for property on Main Street from approximately 900 to 1250 North and from Main Street to approximately 200 East. The planning commission said that the city's general plan needs to be amended to allow for a change in the zoning from R-1-H to CU in that area. In order for this to happen, a public hearing has been scheduled at 7 p.m. on January 14, 2015 to receive public comment on a possible amendment to the general plan which then could allow for a zone change in that area. The council reviewed several maps on the area in question and also discussed surrounding parcels not affected by the zone change request.

The planning commission has recommended preliminary plat approval to North Main Subdivision Plat A. Council Member Rowley made the motion to grant preliminary plat approval to the North Main Subdivision Plat A. Council Member Park seconded the motion. The council reviewed maps and possible streets in that area and then voted unanimously to approve the motion.

The council reviewed an agreement between Nephi City and Aviation for airport consulting services. This would be a base contract with each individual project to have its own fee structure, which would be audited by a private source to determine reasonableness. Council Member Park made the motion to authorize Mayor Jones to sign the base contract between Aviation and Nephi City after some concerns expressed by the city attorney are satisfied. Council Member Rowley seconded the motion, which passed on a unanimous vote.

City Administrator, J. Randy McKnight, reported to the council on the status of the city's announced on-line bill payment program. He indicated that mailings have been sent out, also that the city's social media outlets have been updated to show how to apply for these services. More than 300 hundred transaction have been received so far, and the anticipated cost is near where the projections indicated. There have been a few bumps in the process, but overall the staff is very satisfied with the results.

The council was reminded of a public hearing held to accept comment on the application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. It appears that the best project the city could apply for would be improvements to government buildings that can improve compliance with the American with Disabilities Act. Council Member Gee made the motion to authorize the city staff to proceed with the CDBG grant application process and to apply for funds to improve city buildings' compliance with the Americans with Disability Act and to authorize a possible second application for housing rehabilitation programs. Council Member Brough seconded the motion. Voting on the motion was unanimous in favor.

J. Randy McKnight, City Administrator, reviewed with the council the progress on the Hollow bridge on 300 East. Work has slowed down with the cold weather and moisture, but as conditions improve the wing walls will be cemented, and asphaltting will be held off until warmer weather presents itself. The new choroinator building has been erected and the new equipment is expected to be here soon. It will be installed when the weather conditions are favorable with the change-over expected early this spring. Pioneer Park and Canyon View Park playground equipment has arrived. The fall zones for the equipment have been prepared and installation is expected when the weather conditions allow for more outside construction.

Business licenses were presented for approval. Council Member Brough made the motion to approve a business license for Tim Larsen dba TL Insurance Solutions LLC at 62 South Main and for Billy Woolslayer dba Woolslayer Custom Mobile Welding at 325 East 1386 North, and suggested that no welding be allowed in residential districts after dark. Council Member Park seconded the motion, which passed on a unanimous vote.

A list of claims against the city was presented on the warrant register. Council Member Park made the motion to pay claims #15-1141 thru #15-1236 with funds appropriated. Council Member Brough seconded the motion. The council discussed some of the claims in detail and then voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Noting the need for an executive session, Council Member Gee made the motion to adjourn into executive session to discuss personnel matters and property acquisition and disposal. Council Member Brough seconded the motion. The voting to adjourn into executive session was unanimous in favor.

The council meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

The council meeting reconvened at 9:30 p.m.

The council discussed the need to fill a vacancy in the justice court. Council Member Rowley made the motion to hire Stephanie Christensen as a part-time justice court clerk. Council Member Brough seconded the motion. Voting was aye from Council Members Brough, Rowley and Park with Council Member Gee abstaining from the voting. The motion passed to hire Stephanie Christensen as a part time justice court clerk.

The council discussed the need to appoint a new city attorney for civil representation. Council Member Park made the motion to approve a legal services agreement with the law firm of Hansen Wright Eddy & Haws P.C. and to authorize Mayor Jones to sign the agreement. Council Member Gee seconded the motion. The voting on the motion was unanimous in favor.

City Administrator, J. Randy McKnight, gave brief updates on Air Med being established at Central Valley Medical Center and Nephi City's new applications for state funding assistance for Main Street improvement projects.

Noting that no other business needed to be addressed, Council Member Rowley made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Brough. Voting on the motion to adjourn was unanimous in favor.

Council meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY RECORDER